

LAST year Philadelphia made carpets worth nearly \$48,000,000. That city has 172 carpets manufacturers, working 7,350 looms and employing 17,800 workmen.

The ambitious Mrs. Frank Leslie can't leave the newspaper business, try as she may. She is about to start a new fashion paper in London.

HORTON BAILEY, of Omaha, is suing for divorce, and one of his allegations is that his wife once hit him on the head with the motto: "God Bless Our Home."

The greatest sundered country in the world is France, though it shows a decline in the habit. In 1869 the consumption was 13,000,000 pounds or seven ounces per head. Now it is five ounces.

It has come to light that only about one-fifth of the land in Oklahoma has been entered in the land offices of the territory. After all, Oklahoma is not the land of milk and honey which the boomers had confidently expected to find.

A RESIDENT of Carthage, Mo., has in his possession an original price list of slaves, the property of Jefferson Davis' brother before the war. Babies are quoted at \$100, children of 12 years at \$600, able-bodied women \$800 and thirty farm hands at \$1,100.

A LETTER mailed in Liverpool about 6 o'clock in the evening of May 11 was delivered to its destination in Chicago early in the morning of May 10. As it probably reached latter city the previous evening, the while time of transmission between the two cities may be set down as eighty days. That is quick transit indeed.

At a swell wedding in Brooklyn a set of diamonds, valued at \$500, which had been presented to the bride by the groom, were missed. A detective who was present said he thought he could lay his hand on the thief. After consulting with the bride's father, he proceeded to the room of his brother and found in the pocket of his pantaloons \$160 and a pawn ticket for the missing jewels.

The youngest commercial drummer in the United States is Harry Wade, of Buffalo. He is 12 years of age, and a son of Frank A. Wade. The way Master Wade first went into owing to the serious illness of his father, who is now confined to his house. The boy had made frequent trips with his father and observed his ways of doing business. He prevailed upon his father to let him take his route, which is through New York State. The boy has made two successive trips over the route, and is the favorite of the commercial men and his father's customers.

A FEW evenings ago a fire broke out in a barrel of charcoal in the hallway of a house in New London, Conn. One of the inmates of the house smelled the smoke, and, armed with a bucketful of water, made a rush for the hallway. Directly opposite the burning barrel hung a large mirror, which pictured the fire to perfection. The excited man did not hesitate, but threw the water at the mirror, and the flames falling to the ground with a loud crash. The fellow, not thinking he had extinguished the blaze, and the house would probably have burned had not another man poured a pail of water on the burning material.

ELECTRICITY played some strange freaks during a thunder-storm in Connecticut. At Milford a big bolt of lightning struck just in the rear of the village drug store, but not a particle of the drug thrown out by the lightning was visible on the premises. In Henry Johnson's blacksmith shop, in Stratford, the electric fluid worked a large hammer solidly to an anvil. An electric bolt struck a horse and ox which stood at opposite ends of a barn in Fairfield. The two animals were more than a hundred feet apart, yet both were killed, and not a sign of the lightning could be found elsewhere around the building.

A DROLL performance is credited to a United States Surgeon in Caribou, Me. To test the hearing of an applicant for a pension, he held his watch some distance from the man's left ear and asked him if he could hear it. The answer was "No," and the same reply was given to repeated questions as the watch was gradually nearer. "Put him down totally deaf in the left ear," the surgeon said, and holding the watch away from the man's right ear, the same question was asked. To his surprise the answer was the same. It then occurred to the surgeon to examine his watch, and he found that it had stopped.

WHEN THE PRINCE OF WALES and his wife wish to go to the theatre, notice is given to the manager, who prepares his largest box, or knocks two boxes into one for the royal party, and set aside another box for their suite. If the boxes have already been sold the persons purchasing are informed that they so wanted for royalty, and are requested to call and get their money back. Half a dozen programmes are printed on colored satin, a lot of bouquets are purchased for the ladies, and an immense amount of scarlet cloth is used in decorating the house. The manager receives the party personally. The raising of the curtain is delayed until the royal party is seated, and the orchestra plays "God save the Queen." At intervals during the performance refreshments are sent up to the royal box. All this is at the expense of the management.

NEWS BRIEF.

The Latest News Gleaned From Associated Press Telegrams.

Washington Jottings.

Prominent South Dakota Republicans regret that the federal patronage in the new state is under the control of a commission selected from themselves, and the president takes kindly to the commission.

The ending of the English flag ship Swiftsure and the Amphion to Sitka, with orders to cruise in the Behring sea, has caused quite a stir in official circles at Washington.

The department has been again called the attention of the government to the fact that ships flying the English flag are engaged in illicit fishing in Behring sea.

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The News of the Week Throughout the Entire State.

A state chess association has been formed at St. Paul by lovers of the royal game.

Andrew Brown, 8 years old, was arrested at Winona for setting fire to his father's barn.

Sleepy Eye wants to be the county seat of Brown county, and has voted \$30,000 bonds to build a court-house.

The city council of St. Cloud has voted \$10,000 cash and forty acres of land as a bonus for the location of a saw mill in that city.

John F. Russell, ex-treasurer of Houston county, has been released after trial on four counts for grand larceny and embezzlement.

S. J. Trux, of Hastings, has been awarded the government contract, amounting to \$65,000, for work to be done at the head of Lake Pepin in slaughtering and cleaning the river channel.

The controller of the currency authorized the organization of a national bank at Little Falls, with capital of \$50,000. Andrew S. Davidson is president and Alexander R. Davidson cashier.

Alderman Armstrong, of Duluth, held two positions, that of city councilman and deputy sheriff of the county. The council concluded he wanted too much and declared his seat vacant in the aldermanic body.

A land patent for 120 acres of land in the town of Homer, and issued to a Capt. Wales, who served in the war of 1812, was filed in the register's office at Winona. The patent is signed by James Buchanan, president.

Ten days ago a mad dog, wearing a collar marked "114-87, Winona," was killed in Plainview township, Wabasha county, and in the territory several head of stock have been taken with genuine hydrophobia and had to be killed. It is not known how much stock has been bitten.

The police of Albert Lea have been very busy lately in ridding the city of gangs of tramps and toughs who have come in from the South. Several thefts and other minor offenses have been committed, and the police are now in jail for highway robbery.

It has become quite a serious thing to get drunk in Sauk Centre since the act making drunkenness a crime went into effect, as the city council has passed an ordinance compelling any convicted of drunkenness to be set at work on our streets. Two men were arrested and convicted and will be set at work under the provisions of the ordinance.

A very heavy and welcome fall of rain has occurred in Minnesota and has given the crops the moisture they needed to push them along. The grain, especially the wheat, is doing splendidly, being about four days high, and the prospects are that there will be an early harvest, and an extremely large yield this season.

John Backes, of St. James, started for Carver county the other day to sell medicines. On reaching Mankato his horses were taken sick, and one died. The other will also die. Citizens have already subscribed money to replace the one animal, and if the other does not get well it will be replaced by another horse. Backes has a large family, and his team was their sole means of support.

John F. Russell, who for eight years was county treasurer of Houston county, and who four years ago was the candidate for state treasurer, is now on trial in the district court at Caledonia on the charge of embezzling the funds of several insurance companies for which he has been doing business the past few years. Two indictments have been found against him.

Gov. Merriam appointed as steam boiler inspectors the following: First district, Simon D. Brear, Winona; Second district, Charles S. Bissan, Henderson; Third district, E. G. Bloomfield, Willmar; Fourth district, C. C. Clark, St. Paul; Fifth district, W. D. Tomlin, Duluth. Messrs. Bissan and Tomlin are well known, and the others are said to be practical and experienced engineers.

O. H. Gentzmer, a farmer living five miles north of Minnesota lake, found a body of A. Roate in his cow shed, hanged by the neck, dead. Roate is supposed to have been crazy when he committed the act, as it is plainly a case of suicide. He had tried the day before to get poison at Minnesota Lake but was refused. He was unmarried and about 35 years old. He leaves property valued at \$2,000.

Rev. Franklin Carter, a pioneer of Minnesota, and for many years an active M. E. clergyman, a member of the Wisconsin M. E. conference, and afterwards of the M. E. conference of Minnesota, died of apoplexy at his home in Fairbault. He had not been preaching for ten years on account of feeble health and extreme old age. Mrs. Carter survives her husband, but she is very feeble. Some months ago she was badly thrown from a buggy, and she sustained injuries from which she will never recover.

The body of an unknown man, about twenty-seven years old, was found hanging to a tree in a ravine on the farm of George W. Clark, near Winona. It was discovered by Roe Austin, who notified the authorities. Co. one Stewart had the body cut down and removed to an undertaker's, where an inquest will be held. There was nothing on the body to identify it, and no one has been found to give the slightest clue to the man's identity. A undertaker who saw the manner in which the man hung claims the body must have been strung up after life was extinct, and that there was foul play. The man had red hair and a mustache. The body had evidently been hanging from twenty-four to forty-eight hours.

In the weird town of Moodus, on the Connecticut river, a resident was cured of rheumatism in a marvelous way. He went to bed with aching joints, after leaving a lotion on the table with which to bathe his limbs. He arose several times in the night and laved his limbs freely with the contents of a kitchen table bottle, and in the morning was joyfully surprised to find that all his pains had left him. It was not until he inspected himself and perceived that he was black and blue and that he mistook the lotion for the one with the bottle over his head.

MEN OF THE HOUR.

CHARLES READE.

The Heraldic Novelist.

Charles Reade, the late eminent English novelist, was born in 1814, at Ipsden House, Oxfordshire, England. His father was an eminent scholar, and his mother a lady of unusual intellectual strength. He was educated at Magdalen College, Oxford. After graduation he read law, gained a Vinerian fellowship at the University of Oxford, in 1842, and was called to the bar the year after. He never practiced law, but adopted a literary life, occupying his earlier years in writing for newspapers and magazines. His first novel was "Peg Woffington," published in 1853. "Christie Johnstone" issued the same year, with well received. "It is Never Too Late to Mend," produced in 1856, dealt severely with certain abuses of prison discipline, and created great excitement. Henceforward every work from Mr. Reade's pen was welcomed eagerly. The list of his works includes, in addition to those already mentioned, "The Course of True Love," "Jack of All Trades," "Love Me Little, Love Me Long," "White Lies," "The Cloister and the Hearth," which is, perhaps, the ablest of his books.

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When a cow is sick do not be afraid to give her a pound of Epsom salts. If she indicates a feverish condition give her the salts before calving. This simple remedy will often prevent milk fever.

Keep your tools sharp, now that the work is pressing. A man with sharp tools can do more work in a day than can two men with dull tools. It may take a little time to sharpen the tools, but it will be labor saved.

One of the best fertilizers for house plants is land plaster. Sprinkle around the stem, and then work it carefully around the base of the plant. Geraniums and fuchsias are especially benefited by an application once a week.

If you are feeding cattle for beef to market, secure a beef breed and then feed them so that a strong thrifty growth can be secured. As with hogs, a quick growth and an early maturity is necessary to secure the largest profits.

Young colts will soon learn to eat oats when in stalls with their dams, and an excellent way to make the young horse grow is to keep working oats where they can eat whenever they desire, but the food should be so placed that the lamb can get to it while the old sheep cannot reach it.

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There is no doubt that when Devons are as persistently and carefully put before the public as have been done for other breeds by men of wealth, and their good qualities well understood, they will stand in the front rank as the farmers' breed; hardy, good rustlers, easy feeders and docile.

It is well to keep a sharp lookout on the current bushes as soon as the leaves begin to start. The current worm in some seasons is earlier than others, and if not checked in time may do great damage. Powdered sulphur dusted on the bushes when the leaves are wet with dew will promptly destroy them. There is no danger of its poisoning the fruit. The stable is best made in the basement of the barn, and then it should always be of concrete cemented with water lime. This cannot leak, and thus saves all the liquid manure, which is worth as much as the solid excrement, if not more. The cost of replacing plank floors, beside the loss of liquid manure through them, will soon more than pay the expense of putting the barn on walls and stopping these wastes.

Hay, fodder and other feed should always be run through the cutting-box. A great waste arises from feeding any other way. A mixture of cut hay well ministered in connection with more concentrated food, as cornmeal and bran, is especially beneficial, thus uniting the large quantities of coarse or bulky material with the rich food, and the complete assimilation of the whole may be better secured.

FOR THE FARMER.

Agricultural Notes.

Ornamental trees and shrubs should be planted early.

Farm horses should have plenty of grain while working.

Values should not always be measured by bushels and acres, but by cost of production and not returns.

For ticks on sheep use snuff or tobacco smoke. Dips and washes are not fit to use in cold weather.

A close observer is credited with the statement that shoddy in America dispenses with the employment of not less than fifty million sheep.

In buying birds or eggs, go to some reliable breeder who has his reputation at stake. You may have to pay a little more for birds, but you can depend on what you get.

It is poor economy to feed a cow largely. Every quart of milk extra is a clear gain over the usual amount and the old best cows should be kept.

Save the old pieces of oil cloth to throw over the chicken coops in wet weather, and keep the surface of the ground inside dry with coal ashes.

A farmer's busy that he cannot find a little time to read, say one hour of the twenty-four has a wrong somewhere in the management of his business.

The city of New York consumed last year about 800,000 barrels of poultry and 200,000 dozen eggs. The city of Philadelphia used about half that quantity.

Mix cut straw with the cut hay, and the straw will be eaten and a portion of the hay saved. Moisture the whole mess and sprinkle bran or meal over it.

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WHAT THE WITS SAY.

More or Less Funny.

It isn't he who hears the most who is the most intelligent. The jackass is noted for the size of his ears.

There is a time in every man's life when he thinks there is nothing sweeter under the sun than somebody's daughter.

Gents' trousers are becoming so wide that it will soon be the proper thing to make the lead in ascending a stairway.

There are yet more things in heaven and earth than have been dreamed of in hash; but the resources for novelty in its combination are fewer than they have been.

About this time of year the family woodpile becomes so distasteful to the small boy that he thinks serious of shipping as a pirate—preferably to the sea.

Some one says that a woman should never allow a man to propose marriage to her unless she is sure that she can make him a good husband. Just think how little the old men of to-day know compared with the young ones.

When a lot of nobodies meet in caucus it is hard for them to believe that they are not the supreme court. The more nobody they are the more supreme they feel.—New Orleans Picayune.

The older you grow the more you know," says the old proverb. This is another of those fallacious sayings that time expires. Just think how little the old men of to-day know compared with the young ones.

Delicate Satire.—Husband—I shan't be home to dinner to-day; you need not wait for me. I'm going to shooting at Snake Hill. Wife.—Snake Hill? I think you are just about as smart as a snake when it comes to shooting at a target.

He.—"Aw weally, Miss Blossom, do you believe man spring from the ape?" She.—(very tired of his attentions).—"Yes, I presume man have, but there are others who have never sprung very far."—Omaha World.

The general merchandise stores of Leonard & Peterson and Anderson & Olson at Dayton were targeted by burglars. The safes in both places were blown open, but only \$150 in cash were secured. The cracksmen carried off \$300 in goods.

At an assembly of friends lately the absence of a lady was apologized for by an acquaintance who said she was detained by a "little incident." "Ah, yes," said Mr. Chatterbox, "a beautiful little incident; it was, too—weighs just nine pounds and a half."

Doctor.—Your blood is deficient in quality, Mr. Jones. What you need is more iron in the system. Mr. Jones.—That can't be, doctor. I have stepped on at least 22 tracks with my bare feet, and I haven't been bleeding.—Burlington Free Press.

Smith—"I think Miss De Blank is very rude, Jones." "What do you say to that?" "I met her down town this afternoon and asked if I might see her home. She said yes. I could see it from the top of the High School building and that it wasn't necessary to go any further."

A. D. Marsh was judge at the Democratic primary Monday. A young, smooth-faced fellow offered his vote, and Marsh asked him if he was old enough to vote. "Yes," says the fellow, "I am twenty-one." "How do you know?" "Well, I have had the seven-year itch three times," was the response.

Buyer (confidentially).—"Say, boy, are you sure this horse won't scare a locomotive?" Stable boy.—"Scare? not much. Why, sir, three different men have been killed because that there horse balked right in the middle of the track just to enjoy seein' the bullfine coming."

"You are late this afternoon?" said the music teacher to his banded and powdered young lady pupil. "Yes," said the dame, swishing down on the music stool. "Was your lady with her household duties, that I had to wait nearly half an hour for her to see up a rip in one of my kid gloves."—Norristown Herald.

One night when one of Mrs. Hodgson Burnett's sons was about five years old, he fell asleep in his bed she kissed him again and again and called him pet-names. He was so sleepy that he could not kiss her, and he murmured drowsily, as if to comfort her for his seeming indifference: "Mamma—my heart—is listening—to you."

Aspiring Poet—"I wish to leave you some verses for your inspection. I will leave all my address and stamps, so that in the possibility of your not publishing the lines you may mail the manuscript to me." Practically every young man has a stamp in his pocket, and if he will save it, stamp it please, but it will save time and trouble if you will take the manuscript home with you.—Omaha World.

"Speakin' of twins," said the old man, Chumpkins, "there was two boys raised in our neighborhood that looked just alike till they dyin' day. Lem didn't have any teeth, and his brother Dave did, but they looked precisely alike all the same. The only way you could tell 'em apart was by your finger in Lem's mouth, and if he bit yer 'twas Dave."

Jones—"There are only two periods in a man's life when he is greatly interested in his personal appearance." Smith—"When do they occur?" Jones—"One is at twenty, when he watches the hair coming out on his upper lip, and the other is at forty, when he watches the hair coming out on the top of his head."—Omaha World.

A young man of Nantucket, becoming engaged recently, was desirous of presenting his intended with a ring appropriately inscribed, but, being at a loss what to have engraved upon it, he called upon his father for advice. "Well," said the old man, "put on 'When this you see, remember me.' The young lady was much surprised a few days after at receiving a beautiful ring with the inscription, "When this you see, remember father."

A Fatal Error. Government clerk (to friend)—"I'm in a frightful hole. I went to see two doctors yesterday, and got a medical certificate from each. One was a certificate of health for a life insurance company, and the other was a certificate of illness to send to the chief with my petition for a week's leave of absence. Friend—Well, I've done that myself. When I was in the hospital, G. C.—Matter? Great Scott, I mixed the certificates in mailing them. The insurance company has my certificate of ill health and the chief has my certificate of good health.—Cincinnati Inquirer.

THE GOLDEN ISLAND.

A Fair Tale.

Robert had finished his education at the old school in the village where his father and mother lived, and he was now of an age when a healthy and strong boy, with a true spirit of developing manhood and independence, wants to learn a trade. The village in which the boy's parents lived was but a small one, and outside of the tailor and the shoemaker there were no tradesmen living there. All the rest of the man, Robert's father among them, were farmers. Now, Robert did not like the life of a farmer. It was too quiet and too much like slavery to him. Not that he despised a farmer, however. He was a good son and he loved his father dearly. But Robert was of an enterprising, active disposition, and the uneventful existence of a farmer did not suit his restless character.

When his school time was over, therefore, he resolved to learn a trade. He did not know which one he would like best. He meant to find that out after while. So one beautiful morning he packed his valise with the most necessary things a man wants when he goes on a long journey; then he went to his father and mother and bid them good-by.

"Where are you going, Robert?" both exclaimed, with astonishment, as they saw the young man standing before them, equipped for a journey. "I am going away to learn a trade," he replied. "This place is too small for me, and there is nothing to do here but to be a farmer. I am going into the city for a couple of years, where I can learn a trade and make a name and fortune for myself."

The old people saw that their son was determined, and they thought it best to let him have his way. So they wished him godspeed and good luck, and told him not to forget his parents and come back after some time. Robert promised that and then he departed.

He had traveled for many a day and many a month, but still he had not found the business he liked. He had been working with several masters, but some how or other Robert grew tired of his job and left. One day he was sitting on the bank of a beautiful lake and noticed a boat gliding over the smooth surface of the waters. There was a man sitting in the boat who was feathering the oars in a leisurely manner, while the boat continued to float noiselessly along. Robert looked at the man and wondered how he could do that. He murmured to himself:

"Well, now, rowing must be the most pleasant thing in the world. The man seems to enjoy the run amazingly. I wonder whether he has any secret for it. I'll call him and hear what he has to say."

He shouted out and beckoned the man toward him. When the oarsman had reached the shore he came ashore and invited him to accompany him. While the oars were dipping the water and the boat was quietly moving along over the beautiful lake Robert told the man all about himself.

"So you did not like to be a farmer, what would you like to do then? Have you not been able to find a trade suitable at all?" "No, sir," replied the young man. "I have not been able to find a job that I would like. What I have to complain of is, that is everything seems to be hard work, and I don't like it. I would like to do anything where I had the opportunity to make a lot of money without any trouble and exertion. But hard work I do not like, it makes me tired so quick."

"Oh," said the boatman, "that is the way you feel about the matter. You are lazy, I should say. Look here, my boy, my trade is a good one, if you only work at it hard enough, you will win an enormous lot of money. All work is equally ennobling to the man who labors honestly and diligently. Now, I think it will be a very good thing for you if I give you a lesson that will be of service to you for your life." The boatman had no more than uttered these words when Robert suddenly noticed that the boat began to roll and to pitch. The young man was so frightened that he fell out of the boat and into the water. He was so tired that he could not swim, and he was so heavy that he sank like a stone. He floated on the water for some time, and then he saw a light in the distance. He swam toward it, and when he reached it he found a small boat with a man in it. The man in the boat was the same man who had been rowing the boat before. 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The ambitious Mrs. Frank Leslie can't leave the newspaper business, try as she may. She is about to start a new fashion paper in London.

HORTON BAILEY, of Omaha, is suing for divorce, and one of his allegations is that his wife once hit him on the head with a picture frame in which was the motto: "God Bless Our Home."

The greatest snuff-taking country in the world is France, though it shows a decline in the habit. In 1869 the consumption was 13,000,000 pounds or seven ounces per head. Now it is five ounces.

IT HAS come to light that only about one-fifth of the land in Oklahoma has been entered in the land offices of the territory. After all, Oklahoma is not the land of milk and honey which the boomers had confidently expected to find.

A RESIDENT of Carthage, Mo., has in his possession an original picture of slaves, the property of Jefferson Davis' brother before the war. Babies are quoted at \$100, adult-bred women \$800 and thirty-four hands at \$1,100.

A LETTER mailed in Liverpool about 6 o'clock in the evening of May 1 was delivered to its destination in Chicago early in the morning of May 10. As it probably reached latter city the previous evening the while time of transmission between the two cities may be set down as eight days. That is quick transit indeed.

A small wedding in Brooklyn a set of diamonds, valued at \$500, which had been presented to the bride by the groom, were missed. A detective who was present said the thief he could lay his hand on the thief. After consulting with the bride's father, he proceeded to the home of her brother and found in the pocket of his pantaloons \$160 and a pawn ticket for the missing jewels.

The youngest commercial drummer in the United States is Harry Wade of Buffalo. He is but 12 years of age, and a son of Frank A. Wade. The way Master Wade first went into the business was owing to the serious illness of his father, who is now confined to his house. The boy had made frequent trips with his father and observed his ways of doing business. He prevailed upon his father to let him take his route, which is through New York State. The boy has made two successive trips over the route, and is the favorite of the commercial men and his father's customers.

A FEW evenings ago a fire broke out in a barrel of charcoal in the hallway of a house in New London, Conn. One of the inmates of the house smelled the smoke, and, armed with a bucket of water, made a rush to the hallway. Directly opposite the burning barrel hung a large mirror, which pictured the fire to perfection. The excited man did not hesitate, but threw the water at the mirror, the glass falling to the ground with a loud crash. The fellow really thought he had extinguished the blaze, and the house would probably have burned had not another man poured a pail of water on the burning material.

ELECTRICITY played some strange tricks during a thunder-storm in Connecticut. At Milford a big hole was excavated just in the rear of the village drug store, but not a particle of the earth thrown out by the lightning was visible on the premises. In Henry Johnson's blacksmith shop, in Stratford, the electric fluid welded a large hammer solid to an anvil. An electric bolt struck a horse and ox which stood at opposite ends of a barn in Fairfield. The two animals were killed, but not a hundred feet apart, yet both were killed, and not a sign of the lightning could be found elsewhere around the building.

A BROTHER performance credited to a United States prisoner in Caribou, Me. To test the hearing of an applicant for a pension, he held his watch some distance from the man's left ear and asked him if he could hear it tick. The answer was "No," and the same reply was given to repeated questions as the watch was brought gradually nearer. "Put him down totally deaf in the left ear," the surgeon said, and holding the watch away from the man's right ear, the same question was asked. To his surprise the answer was the same. It then occurred to the surgeon to examine his watch, and he found that it had stopped.

WHEAT, PRICES, or WALES and his wife wish to go to the manager, who prepares his latest list of the knocks two boxes into one for the royal party, and set aside another box for party suite. If the boxes have already been sold the persons purchasing are informed that they are wanted for royalty, and are requested to call and get their money back. Half a dozen programmes are printed on colored satin, a lot of bouquets are purchased for the ladies, and an immense amount of scarlet cloth is used in decorating the hotel. The manager of the party personally. The raising of the curtain is delayed until the royal party is seated and the orchestra plays "God save the Queen." At intervals during the performance refreshments are sent to the royal table. All this is at the expense of the management.

BRIEF

The Latest News Gleaned From Associated Press Telegrams.

London, Jettison.

Prominent South Dakota Republican, president of the legislature of the new state is under the control of a commission selected from themselves, and the president is being held in custody. The state is being run by a military government. The English flag is flying over the American flag in the Behring sea, has caused quite a stir in official circles at Washington. The treasury department has time and again called the attention of the government to the fact that ships flying the English flag are engaged in illicit sailing in Behring sea. In most cases these vessels are well armed, and are revenue cutters, whalers, and are not vessels, are no match for them. The state department has been asked to send a fleet of cruisers, and intends to assert dominion over the whole Pacific, within the limit of five years.

Dr. Rland and the Indian Defense association have begun a crusade against the acceptance by the Sioux of the agreement for the cession of their lands. Two months ago a committee of the association addressed a letter to Secretary Noble asking him to consider the seventeenth section of the Sioux bill, and decide whether the costs of schools for twenty years and of the cattle and agricultural implements provided for in the bill should be deducted from the price of the sale of the lands. No answer was made to this letter. The association has now written the secretary and propounded the same questions. He declined to construe the law, but agreed to listen to the argument of the committee. This was made at some length, and ended with the implied threat that unless the law was construed to the association's wish it would prevent the Indians from signing the agreement.

Minor Casualties.

Arden Johnson, a farmer living sixteen miles southwest of Huron, S. D., was digging a hole alongside a big stone to sink it out of the way of a plow or harrow, when suddenly the stone rolled over and killed him. He was buried last night.

McDonnell, a Chicagoan, though badly hurt and alone, managed to extricate himself, crawl on a stove hot and drive his way to the street. He was taken to the hospital, but his injuries were so severe that he died.

The suburban man of G. A. B. Dodge was buried at Danville, Ill., while the general and wife, the latter a niece of Senator Voorhees, were entertaining two hundred guests. The funeral was held at Danville, and the remains were taken to Chicago for interment.

Laura Fleming, the 14-year-old daughter of a farmer living near Eau Claire, Wis., was visiting at the house of James Macomber, a neighbor. She went upstairs to bed with her mother. The next morning she was found dead in the bed. The cause of death was not known.

As the crowd gathered in front of Kyles hall at Parkville, Mo., to hear the band and see the horses belonging to Cony's show, taken into the hall a section of the sidewalk about fifteen feet long gave way, and precipitated about forty people into the area in front of the hall. The fall was not serious, but several people were injured.

Personal Mention.

The inquest in the case of the mild reader Dr. Bishop, who died last night, was held at the house which caused his death. The fact was brought out by the witness that Dr. Bishop, who was a physician, was not friendly with the woman who was his wife. He was found dead in the bed, and the cause of death was not known.

Petty Wickedness.

The thief of San Miguel county, N. M., came to the attention of the authorities when he was found with a stolen horse. He was taken to the jail, and the horse was returned to its owner.

It was just reported that at Erie, Pa., that car thieves recently robbed twenty-one cars of the Pennsylvania company that came over the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, and that a large amount of valuable property was lost.

The goods of another race war are small spring at Pine Bluff, Ark. A young Mississippian named Chambers, in charge of D. L. Gray's plantation, saw a negro named Brown brutally beat a white man. Chambers went to the aid of the white man, and was killed.

Conard Schneider of Altona, Wis., George Schneider, his son, and Charles Withey, who claims to be of East Saginaw, Mich., were jailed at Eau Claire, Wis., for forgery and obtaining money under false pretenses.

John C. Bradley, cashier of the Merchant's National bank at New Haven, Conn., was arrested on the charge of embezzlement. He was taken to the jail, and the bank was closed.

Dr. Cleveland was on the stand again in Chicago in the insane asylum investigation. He said: "Pay is an object at the asylum, and it is a fact that the asylum is a place of refuge for the poor and the unfortunate."

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MINNESOTA CULLINGS.

The News of the Week Throughout the Entire State.

A state chess association has been formed at St. Paul by lovers of the royal game.

Andrew Bentrow, 8 years old, was arrested at Winona for setting fire to his father's barn.

Sleepy Eye wants to be the county seat of Brown county, and has voted \$30,000 bonds to build a court-house.

The city council of St. Cloud has voted \$10,000 cash and forty acres of land as a bonus for the location of a saw mill in that city.

John F. Russell, ex-treasurer of Houston county, has been released after trial on four counts for grand larceny and embezzlement.

S. J. Trux, of Hastings, has been awarded the government contract, amounting to \$85,000, for work to be done at the head of Lake Pepin in straightening and cleaning the river channel.

The controller of the currency authorized the organization of a national bank at Little Falls, with a capital of \$50,000. Andrew S. Davidson is president and Alexander R. Davidson cashier.

Alderman Armstrong, of Duluth, held two positions, that of city councilman and deputy sheriff of the county. The council concluded he wanted too much and declared his seat vacant in the aldermanic body.

A land patent for 120 acres of land in the town of Homer, and issued to a Capt. Walter, who served in the war of 1812, was filed in the register's office at Winona. The patent is signed by James Buchanan, president.

Ten days ago a mad dog wearing a collar marked "114-87, Winona," was killed in Plainville township, Washburn county, and in the territory several head of stock have been taken with genuine hydrophobia and are to be killed. It is not known how much stock has been bitten.

The police of Albert Lea have been very busy lately in ridding the city of gangs of tramps and toughs who have come in from the South. Several thefts and other minor offenses have been committed, and four culprits are now in jail for highway robbery.

It has become quite a serious thing to get drunk in Sank Center since the act making drunkenness a crime went into effect, as the city council has passed an ordinance compelling any convicted drunkard to be set at work on the streets. Two men were arrested and convicted and will be set at work under the provisions of the ordinance.

A very heavy and welcome fall of rain has occurred in Minnesota and has given the crops the moisture they needed to push them along. The grain, especially the wheat, is doing splendidly, being about four inches high, and the prospects are that there will be an early harvest, and an extremely large yield this season.

John Backes, of St. James, started for Carver county the other day to sell medicines. On reaching Mankato his horses were taken sick, and one died. The other will also die. Citizens have already subscribed money to replace the one animal, and if the other does not get well it will also be replaced. Backes has a large family, and his team was their sole means of support.

John F. Russell, who for eight years was county treasurer of Houston county, and who four years ago was the candidate for state treasurer, is now on trial in the district court at Caledonia on the charge of embezzling the funds of several insurance companies for which he has been doing business the past few years. Two indictments have been found against him.

Gov. Merriam appointed as steam boiler inspectors the following: First district, Simon D. Brier, Winona; Second district, Charles S. Bission, Henderson; Third district, E. G. Woodfield, Wilmar; Fourth district, W. J. Clark, St. Paul; Fifth district, W. D. Tomlin, Duluth; Sixth district, B. B. Tomlin, Duluth; and the others are said to be practical and experienced engineers.

O. H. Gentzmer, a farmer living five miles north of Minnesota lake, found a body of A. Roate in his cow shed, hanged by the neck, dead. Roate is supposed to have been crazy when he committed the act, as it is plainly a case of suicide. He had tried the day before to get poison at Minnesota Lake but was refused. He was unmarried and about 35 years old. He leaves property valued at \$2,000.

Rev. Franklin Carter, a pioneer of Minnesota, and for many years an active M. E. clergyman, a member of the Wisconsin M. E. conference, and afterwards of the M. E. conference of Minnesota, died of apoplexy at his home in Fairbault. He had not been preaching for ten years on account of feeble health and extreme old age. Mrs. Carter survives her husband, but is very feeble. Some months ago they were both thrown from a buggy, and she sustained injuries from which she will never recover.

The body of an unknown man, about twenty-seven years old, was found hanging to a tree in a ravine on the farm of George W. Clark, near Winona. It was discovered by Roe Austin, who notified the authorities. Co. J. Stewart had the body cut down, and removed to an undertaker's shop, where an inquest will be held. There was nothing on the body to identify it, and no one thus far has been found to give the "who" who was the man's identity. A "who" who was the manner in which the man hung claims the body must have been strung up after life was extinct, and that there was foul play. The man had red hair and a red mustache. The body had evidently been hanging from twenty-four to forty-eight hours.

In the weird town of Moodus, on the Connecticut river, a resident was cured of rheumatism in a marvelous way. He went to bed with aching joints, after leaving a lotion on the table with which to bathe his limbs. He arose several times in the night and laved his limbs freely with the contents of a kitchen table bottle, and in the morning was joyfully surprised to find that all his pains had left. It was not until he had inspected himself and perceived that he was black and blue and that he mistreated himself that he had used the family bluing bottle instead of the one with the lotion over night.

MEN OF THE HOUR.

CHARLES READE.

The Deceased Novelist.

Charles Reade, the late eminent English novelist, was born in 1814, at Ipsden House, Oxfordshire, England. His father was an eminent scholar, and his mother a lady of unusual intellectual strength. He was educated at Magdalen College, Oxford. After graduation he read law, gained a Vinerian fellowship at the University of Oxford, in 1842, and was called to the bar the year after. He never practiced law, but adopted a literary life, occupying its earlier years in writing for newspapers and magazines. His first novel was "Peg Woffington," published in 1853. "Christie Johnstone," issued the same year, was well received. "It is Never Too Late to Mend," produced in 1856, dealt severely with certain abuses of prison discipline, and created great excitement. Henceforward every work from Mr. Reade's pen was welcomed eagerly. The list of his works includes, in addition to those already mentioned, "The Course of True Love," "Jack of All Trades," "Love Me Little, Love Me Long," "White Lies," "The Cloister and the Hearth," which is, perhaps, the ablest

of his books; "Hard Cash," "Griffith Gaunt," "Put Yourself in His Place," and "A Terrible Temptation." His pen was far from occasionally powerful, dealing incidentally with social wrongs, and severely condemning their perpetrators.

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FOR THE FARMER.

Agricultural Notes.

Ornamental trees and shrubs should be planted early.

Farm horses should have plenty of grain while working.

Values should not always be measured by bushels and acres, but by cost of production and net returns.

For ticks on sheep use snuff or tobacco smoke. Dips and washes are not fit to use in cold weather.

A close observer is credited with the statement that shoddy in America dispenses with the employment of not less than fifty million sheep.

In buying birds or eggs, go to some reliable breeder who has his reputation at stake. You may have to pay a little more for birds, but you can depend on what you give.

It is poor economy to feed a cow largely. Every quart of milk extra is a clear gain over the usual amount, and only the best cows should be kept.

Save the old pieces of oil cloth to throw over the chicken coops in wet weather, and keep the surface of the ground inside dry with coal ashes.

A farmer busy that he cannot find a little time to read, say one hour of the twenty-four has a wrong somewhere in the management of his business.

The city of New York consumed last year about 800,000 barrels of poultry and 200,000 dozen eggs. The city of Philadelphia used about half that quantity.

Mix cut straw with the cut hay, and the straw will be eaten and a portion of the hay saved. Moisture in the whole mess and sprinkle bran or meal over it.

When an intelligent farmer is once convinced that poultry can be made a paying branch of his business he is usually not slow to take steps toward improving his flock and providing good quarters for them.

When an animal appears to refuse certain food to which it has been accustomed, change the food and feed a variety, which will improve the appetite and induce the animal to eat more.

If the cow is sick do not be afraid to give her a pound of Epsom salts. If she indicates a feverish condition give her the salts before calving. This simple remedy will often prevent milk fever.

Keep your tools sharp, now that the work is pressing. A man with sharp tools can do more work in a day than can two men with dull tools. It may take a little time to sharpen the tools, but it will be labor saved.

One of the best fertilizers for house plants is land plaster. Sprinkle around the stem, and then work in carefully around the roots with a trowel fork. Groomings and fashions are especially benefited by an application once a week.

If you are feeding cattle for beef to market, secure a beef breed and then feed them so that a strong thrifty growth can be secured. As with hogs, a quick growth and an early maturity is necessary to secure the largest profits.

Young colts will soon learn to eat oats when in stalls with their dams, and an excellent way to make the young lambs grow is to keep ground oats where they can eat whenever they desire, but the food should be so placed that the lambs can get to it while the old sheep cannot reach it.

If "Firm the Seed in the Soil" was conspicuously printed at every crossroad and railroad station throughout the length and breadth of the land, and the advice acted upon, the moment for loss or failure of crops by germination would be very low. Popular Gardening.

Good tillage is the strongest weapon with which the farmer can fight hard times and gain success. Imperfect culture, on the other hand, will scarcely enable him to gain a living from the richest soil will deteriorate rapidly in quality from such treatment besides.

In Wyoming, if a man takes the carcass of a beef to market, he has to take along with it the hide which came off it, so it can be ascertained if it had his brand, or was stolen. That would be a good way to do when a sharpshooter is hunting for the innocent purchaser to prove that it was not stolen.

There is no doubt that when Devons are as persistently and carefully put before the public as has been done for other breeds by men of wealth, and their good qualities well placed in the front rank of the breed, hardy, good rustlers, easy feeders and docile.

It is well to keep a sharp lookout on the current bushes as soon as the leaves begin to start. The current worm in some seasons is earlier than others, and if not checked in time may do great damage. Powdered hellebore dusted on the bushes when the leaves are wet with dew will promptly destroy them. There is no danger of its poisoning the fruit.

The stable is best made in the basement of the barn, and then it should always be of concrete cemented with water lime. This cannot leak, and thus saves all the liquid manure, which is worth as much as the solid excrement, if not more. The cost of replacing plank floors, beside the loss of liquid manure through them, will soon more than pay the expense of putting the barn on walls and stopping these wastes.

Hay, fodder and other feed should always be run through the cutting-box at any other way. A mixture of cut hay well ministered in connection with more concentrated food, as corn and bran, is especially beneficial, thus uniting the large quantities of coarser or less nutritious with the rich food, and the farmer gets a simulation of the whole may be better secured.

The system of bonuses for encouraging agricultural development, adopted by some of the Australian colonies, is held by many hard-working farmers to be of no advantage to them. They have come forward with a suggestion that the government organize a farmers' bank with a capital of \$30,000,000, to be loaned on farmers' improved real estate at four or five per cent interest per annum, for fifteen or twenty years. As it is the farmers' money, and in Victoria and elsewhere pay from eight to twenty per cent, and to advance them the money at the rate quoted would enable them to pay their mortgages and have something to work on.

A Fatal Error.

Government clerk (to friend)—I'm in a frightful hole. I went to see two doctors yesterday, and got a medical certificate from each. One was a certificate of health for a life insurance company, and the other was a certificate of illness to send to the chief with my petition for a week's leave of absence.

Friend—What's the matter?

G. C. Matter—Great Scott, I mixed the certificates in mailing them. The insurance company has my certificate of ill health and the chief has my certificate of good health.—Cincinnati Inquirer.

WHAT THE WITS SAY.

More or Less Funny.

It isn't he who hears the most who is the most intelligent. The jackass is noted for the size of his ears.

There is a time in every man's life when he thinks there is nothing sweeter under the sun than somebody's daughter.

Gents' trousers are becoming so wide that it will soon be the proper thing for a lady to take the lead in ascending a stairway.

There are yet more things in heaven and earth than have been dreamed of in hash; but the resources for novelty in its combination are fewer than they have been.

About this time of year the family woodpile becomes so distasteful to the small boy that he thinks seriously of shipping as a pirate—preferably the sea to the saw.

Some one says that a woman should never allow a man to propose to her unless she is willing to become his wife. Some people would deprive the women in this world of all their fun.

When all of nobodies meet in caucus it is hard for them to believe they are not the supreme court. The more nobody they are the more supreme they feel.—New Orleans Picayune.

Thouder you grow the more you know," says the old proverb. This is another of those fallacious sayings that time exposes. Just think how little the old men of to-day know compared with the young ones.

Delicate Satire.—Husband—I shan't be home to dinner to-day; you need not wait for me. I'm going to shoot a snake. I'll be home with a Snake Bill. I think you are just about marksmanship enough to hit something of that size!

He—Aw weally, Miss Blossom, do you believe man sprung from the ape? She—Very tired of his attentions.—Yes, I presume man have, but there are others who were not yet made the spring, or at least never sprung very far.—Omaha World.

The general merchandise stores of Leonard & Peterson and Anderson & Olson at Dayton were entered by burglars. The safes in both places were blown open, but only \$150 in cash were secured. The cash register carried off \$300 in goods.

At an assembly of friends lately the absence of a lady was apologized for by an acquaintance who said she was detained by a "little incident." "Ah, yes," said Mrs. J. Chatterbell, "a beautiful little incident" it was, weighs just nine pounds and a half.

Doctor.—Your blood is deficient in quality, Mr. Jones. What you need is more iron in the system. Mr. Jones—That can't be, doctor. I have stepped on at least 22 tracks with my bare feet since house cleaning began.—Burlington Free Press.

Smith—"I think Miss De Blank is very dense. Jones—"What causes you to think that? I never thought her as dense as you. I met her down town this afternoon and asked if I might see her home. She said yes. I could see

BRAINERD WILL BOOM!

But people must nevertheless give attention to the every-day affairs of life. Am in receipt lately of

NEW LOT GOODS,

Such as New Kid Gloves, New Parasols, New Corsets, New Ruchings, New Challi Delaines, New Lawns, White Goods, Hosiery, Table Linens and Napery of all Kinds; Beautiful designs in Draperies for windows.

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No. 18, Laurel Street,

Where he will be pleased to see all his old customers and many new ones. All work in our line will be warranted and we are in as good shape to do good work as before the fire. Remember the place, Laurel street, between Sixth and Seventh.

Mrs. Chas. White on Monday presented her husband with a fine, healthy 9 pound boy. Mother and child are both doing well.

Frank Howe, a son of J. J. Howe, who left here a couple of months ago for the Pacific coast, returned to his home in this city on Monday.

The festival at the Swedish church on 7th street last Saturday night was a very pleasant and profitable occasion, over \$80 clear being realized.

Mrs. Kate Prophet, a sister of Mrs. J. B. Douglas, who has been visiting in Brainerd for several months past, returned to her home in Connecticut on Monday.

The Northern Pacific make a change in time card Sunday, by which Nos. 1 and 2 and Nos. 7 and 8 will arrive and depart about 15 minutes earlier than at present.

A freight car loaded with lumber jumped the mill track on Wednesday and tore up the track quite considerably besides smashing the forward truck of the car.

Dr. Heunstead, Prof. Dressell and Captain Powers, of Co. K, go to St. Paul to-night to be in attendance at a meeting of the officers of the 3rd Regt. M. N. G.

Dell Getchell, of St. Paul, has been in the city several days this week. Mr. Getchell, it will be remembered, was employed as night editor on the Daily Tribune here in 1882.

A. E. Taylor and Sam Parker went to Rice Lake fishing on Decoration Day. Did they get anything? Well, rather. They both got a good ducking.

Invitations have been issued for the grand opening and banquet of the Arlington Hotel to be held Thursday evening, June 6th. Supper will be served at 9:30.

Chas. A. Gardner, the eminent German comedian and sweet singer, will appear with his excellent company at the opera house on Thursday evening, June 6th.

Gen. Supt. S. R. Ansley, of the N. P., and the newly appointed General Manager W. S. Mellen, passed through Brainerd on Wednesday on a tour of inspection of the road.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. L. A. Conant, on 7th street south, on Tuesday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

David Littlehale, of Mauden, N. D., justice, who has been visiting with the family of John Clark, in East Brainerd, returned home with him on Monday.

Mrs. C. Grandmeyer went to Minneapolis on Tuesday to be present at the commencement exercises of Bennett Seminary of that city, her daughters, Miss Lottie and Miss Rosa, being real tone of the graduates.

There was a heavy frost again last night, ice over a quarter of an inch thick being frozen. The several heavy frosts we have had the last two weeks have played sad havoc with garden truck of all kinds in this vicinity.

Mr. Mahan, the sash and door factory man, from Brainerd, stands ready to put in his plant here if sufficient encouragement of the substantial kind is offered him. Little Falls should meet all new enterprises more than half way.—Little Falls Herald.

Mrs. S. A. Gleason, of this city, received the sad news of the first of the week that a nephew of hers, Fred B. Smith, aged 13, had accidentally shot and killed himself at Mankato, while trying to climb a fence with a small 22-caliber rifle.

The half-witted young man commonly known as "Crazy John," who has hung about the city for the past year, was on Monday taken before the probate court and adjudged insane. Chief Calfery on Tuesday took him to the state asylum for the insane at St. Peter.

The Fifth Annual Ball of Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, at the armory last evening was a splendid success socially and financially. About a hundred couple were present. The proceeds of the dance will be used to purchase a new uniform for the members of the company.

Seth Huntley, after an absence of three or four months at different points in the west, returned to Brainerd on Wednesday noon. Mr. Huntley is not particularly enamored with the wild and woolly west, and reports being glad to get back to Brainerd.

Leon E. Lum and Sheriff Spaulding have purchased a part of four lots of the Sleeper estate at the corner of Front and Broadway. The size of the piece purchased is 100 feet front on both streets. The amount paid is \$4,000. This is valuable property and is very cheap at this price.

To use a poetical expression "no flies roosted on the anatomy of the cheap jewelry shark," who so smoothly gathered in the dollars of some of our unsophisticated citizens on Wednesday morning. How men with a spoonful of brains will allow themselves to be fleeced in this manner, will, we presume, always be a mystery. As the man did no gambling game the police could not stop him.

Last week we published an item concerning a telegram from Mr. Kindred, asking the council not to dispose of the dam until they heard from him. Well, Mr. Kindred has been heard from and he wants the council not to dispose of the dam until the syndicate unless the syndicate would admit the validity of certain bonds that the Water Power and Boom company had issued. As this council isn't disposed to conduct the affairs of the city for Mr. Kindred's personal benefit, no attention has or will be paid to his communication.

Here are bargains for you in lace curtains, draperies, carpets, table cloth, etc., as we close our store June 24th, so come and get the goods at your own prices.

M. L. SWARTZ.

AN UNNATURAL FATHER.

He is Committed to Jail on a Charge of Bastardy Preferred by His Step-Daughter.

A most disgusting and unnatural story concerning the criminal intimacy of a father with his step-daughter comes to us this week from the Town of Garrison, on Mille Laes lake. If the details of the story as related by the men who brought the prisoner in to town, are true, it is surprising that the respectable people of that little burg did not rise in their indignation and administer justice in a summary manner. The facts in the case as near as we can learn are about as follows: On Tuesday noon Constable L. M. Dinwiddie and W. E. Warren arrived in this city with a man by the name of Mark Cearce, who had at a preliminary examination held before the town justice, been bound over to the district court in the sum of \$700, charged with bastardy. The charges were preferred by his step-daughter, Maria Walters, a young woman about 20 years of age, who has two children, aged two and five respectively. She claims that Cearce is the father of these two children, and also claims farther that her criminal relations with Cearce were brought about by physical force and threats of violence. That she resisted him but was compelled to yield by force, and that she has made no complaint heretofore, because he has threatened to kill her if she did so. This statement Miss Walters made under oath, and it was considered sufficient to bind him over and place him in jail to await trial.

From Mr. Warren, the justice before whom Cearce was brought, we learn that Cearce came to that town about five years ago and squatted on a piece of government land, and has managed to eke out a scanty existence since then by hunting, fishing and occasionally doing a day's work for a neighbor. He built a small hut in which he lived with his wife and step-daughter, and two children of his own, aged 15 and 16 respectively. He has compelled his family to live very exclusively, not allowing them to visit the neighbors to any extent. Notwithstanding, his step-daughter became acquainted with a neighbor, who desired to make her his wife. As the old man did not desire her to leave his house he objected, and on his wife remonstrating with him he turned her out of doors. She then made complaint against him, and he was arrested and arraigned before the justice, which brought out the daughter's statement, given above. One of his own children is a young woman 15 years of age, who was married last week. She, we understand, has signified her willingness to testify under oath that her father had attempted by force to outrage her, but that she had escaped from him, and had made no complaint because of threats of violence. The case has stirred up the people of that section of the country considerably, all of whom, it is reported, believe the old man guilty. Cearce is a man about 50 years of age, and is terribly broke up over the predicament he finds himself in.

Brainerd Girls Graduate.

The nineteenth annual commencement exercises of Bennett Seminary, in Minneapolis, was held at the Westminster Church, on Tuesday evening last, and of the six young ladies who comprise the class of '89, two of them, Miss Lottie and Rosa Grandmeyer, are from Brainerd. In its report of the exercises the Pioneer Press of Wednesday, makes the following flattering reference to the Brainerd ladies: Miss Lottie Marie Grandmeyer was the first essayist, her subject being "Conquest and Not Conversion." She alluded to the influence of mind over matter, the weaker going eventually to the wall. The present age was better fitted for conquest, not by force, but by conversion. Men, she believed, never yielded to force until it overcame their minds, and then became a part of themselves, or conversion. The older nations that came into existence by mere conquest fall also through the same process. Miss Rosa Rachel Grandmeyer spoke on "Modern Manias," mentioning first some of the more ancient. The mania for speculation she regarded as the dominant one in American life to-day. There was a happy vein of humor and humor running through the essay, and was especially noticeable in her allusions to the Tolstoi craze and the Jennings-Miller dress reform.

A Former Brainerderite Murdered.

Information has been received in this city of the drowning of Joseph Beckman at Seattle, Washington Territory. He left here the latter part of last month for the coast, with a view of finding a suitable place to locate. From the information received it seems that he was last seen in Seattle on May 13th. On May 22nd his body was found floating in a small lake adjoining that city. No marks of violence were found upon his person, but it is thought that he was murdered by drowning, as he is known to have had a considerable sum of money and none was found on his body after it was recovered. He was identified by papers he had in his valise at the hotel where he was stopping. He was an industrious, hard-working man of good habits, and was well known in this city, having been employed at the shops five years ago, and has recently been engaged as a carpenter here. He is a son-in-law of Mrs. C. H. Klostermann, of the National Hotel, with whom Mrs. Beckman and her two children are stopping. The sad news of the death of Mr. Beckman has been a severe blow to them, and they have the sympathy of the entire community. Mr. Beckman's remains have been interred at Seattle.

Firemen's Band Tournament.

Tournament at Fargo June 11th to 13th, on which occasion tickets will be sold from Brainerd to Fargo and return for \$4.16, good from June 10th to June 14th inclusive. Tickets will be sold on the 10th, 11th and 13th.

The finest line of baby carriages in

the northwest can be found at D. M. Clark & Co's.

A Daring Feat.

On Sunday nearly a thousand people congregated at the dam, called thither by the announcement that Henry Vayette, an experienced log driver in the employ of J. J. Howe & Co., would ride a log over the dam. The fall in the river is nearly thirty feet and it was doubted by a greater portion of the people whether he would escape with his life. Large sums were bet by the sporting fraternity on the result. At the given time he stepped upon the log held above the dam for the purpose and shoved it away from the boom to which it was fastened. The spectators watched him with breathless silence as the log approached the log chute, first slowly and then more rapidly until it entered the chute, down which it passed like a flash. As the log surmounted the huge waves at the bottom of the chute, and by skillful management on Vayette's part shot out of the eddy into the middle of the stream, with the daring driver safe and sound, the spectators gave vent to their pent-up feelings by such a cheer as rarely raised the hills. It was a daring feat, but was successfully performed, a bad wetting of his lower limbs being the only inconvenience suffered. However, we would not advise him or any one else to try it again, for another trial might not result so satisfactorily.

Memorial Day.

Decoration Day was observed yesterday in Brainerd in a truly fitting manner. The day was all that could be desired. The sun shone brightly all day and the weather was sufficiently warm to dispense with wraps. Promptly at noon all business houses in the city closed and remained so during the balance of the day. The shops and mill also closed down for the afternoon. At 1:30 p. m. the procession formed on Front street with the city band in the lead. Next came Pap Thomas Post, and then a carriage containing Judge Rea, speaker of the day, Rev. Geo. H. Davis and Mayor Hemstead. The Ancient Order of Hibernians, resplendent in the regalia of the order, came next and made a handsome appearance. They were followed by the several companies of the fire department in full uniform, after which the ladies of the Relief Corps in carriages with bouquets and wreaths of flowers came next. Citizens in carriages made up the rear. The procession marched over the route as published last week to the cemetery, where the exercises were conducted by Pap Thomas Post, and consisted in the reading of the burial service of the G. A. R., prayer by the chaplain, singing by the Glee Club, decoration of soldiers' graves by a committee of the Post, and the firing of a salute. The procession then marched to the park where the exercises as published last week were observed. The address by Judge Rea is pronounced by everybody as the most interesting and able Memorial Day address ever listened to by a Brainerd audience. Judge Rea is a gifted and eloquent speaker, and an enthusiast on G. A. R. matters. He was tendered a reception at the Arlington Hotel last evening, when he again entertained the callers by relating interesting reminiscences of soldier life. He returned to Minneapolis on the night train.

Swedish Ladies National Concert.

The Swedish Ladies National Concert Company is composed of an octette of beautiful girls with marvelous voices, who appear on the stage in the picturesque costumes of their native provinces, under the directorship of Prof. August Edgren, director grand royal opera for the King of Sweden. They are accompanied this season by America's greatest mimic and refined humorist, Edmund T. Phalen, who never fails to convulse an audience by his character impersonations and funny sayings. This splendid entertainment will appear at Sleeper Opera House on Saturday and Monday evenings, June 8th and 10th. Reserved seats will be put on sale Wednesday, June 5th, at Keene & Nevers' drug store. Don't fail to attend, as it will be an entertainment of great merit, as the following extract from the Englewood (Ill.) Eagle would indicate: Tuesday evening the Swedish Ladies National Concert Company appeared at the First Presbyterian church. Mr. Edmund T. Phalen, the humorist and impersonator, was also present and delighted the audience with a number of selections from his humorous repertoire, which caused the church to fairly ring with the shouts of laughter which followed each effort. His Stuart Robson's "address to little boys," his imitation of John B. Raymond as "Col. Sellers," "It's English, you know," and "Capt. Dempsey's" speech to the Eighth Massachusetts showed him to be in the front rank of his profession.

The appearance upon the platform of the Swedish ladies, eight young women dressed in the picturesque costumes of their native land, was the signal for an ovation, to which they responded with a pretty courtesy. The programme was a mixed one, consisting of octettes, quartettes, duets and solos, all of which were sung in the most perfect manner, in fact the concert company have voices that for sweetness and purity of tone and perfect blending of voices excel any that have heretofore sung before Englewood audiences. The solos of Miss Amelia Holden, Miss Agnes Stoberg and Miss Elizabeth Brush, were remarkably fine, and showed an ease of vocal expression which was certainly a revelation to the average singer. The singers received an encore at the close of each number, to which they cheerfully responded.

Frank Hartley, a well known lumberer of this city, returned yesterday from a six months' sojourn in California. He has purchased a mining claim in the Sacramento valley, about 150 miles north of San Francisco, and is digging for gold there. He expects to return in about a month, when he will build a quartz mill and go into the mining business on a large scale. The probabilities are that he will remove his family to that place, although he still thinks Minnesota is about as good a state as there is.—[Minneapolis Tribune.]

WANTED.—To exchange a piano for a driving horse. Apply to J. A. McCall, Brainerd, Minn.

The Smith-Ingersoll Nuptials.

The following account of the marriage of Walter J. Smith, of this city, and Miss Blanche Ingersoll, appeared in the Stevens Point Journal of the 25th inst:

The wedding of W. J. Smith, of Brainerd, Minn., and Miss Blanche Ingersoll, took place at the residence of the bride's father, H. G. Ingersoll, at Florer, on Wednesday, the 22nd inst., the Rev. Mr. Sanborn officiating. The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock in the presence of many friends who had known the bride since childhood, her home having been in Florer since her birth. The couple were escorted to their positions by Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Ingersoll, and immediately after the words were spoken that bound them to gether for life, they were surrounded by acquaintances anxious to extend their congratulations. The bride wore a moonlight green silk and natural flowers, and the groom a conventional black. Refreshments were served at 2:30, after which the guests departed. The newly married couple left on the morning train for Brainerd, Minn., where the groom is engaged in business, he being an architect by profession, and highly spoken of by those acquainted with him.

The bride is a most estimable young lady. She was born and raised in Florer and attended school there and afterwards the high school at Brainerd, Minn. She also taught school at Brainerd for several years. Among those in attendance at the wedding from Stevens Point were Dr. and Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Allen, Miss Lillie Arnold, Miss Della Blodgett, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bigelow, Mrs. W. O. Lamoreux and daughter Nellie, and Mrs. John Stumpf. Other guests from away were Mrs. Dr. Darling Manawa; Mrs. P. W. Wieland and Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Ingersoll, Brainerd, Minn.; Miss Celia Compton and Mrs. Miner Stroppe, of Grand Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. P. Seannaker, Hilbert.

Will Be Gone.

Your last chance to get carpets, lace curtains, draperies, etc., AT COST. If you don't go at once to M. L. Swartz as he will surely close his store June 24th.

Election of Officers. At their regular meet on Tuesday evening, White Cross Lodge No. 30, K. of P., elected the following officers for the ensuing term:

C. C.—F. B. Johnson.
V. C.—F. W. Wieland.
Prelate—Wm. Priest.
M. A.—T. Blackburn.

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A white and red yearling heifer by H. Harmon at his farm in Oak Lawn township. Owner can obtain property by paying charges for keeping and advertising.

Summer Rates.

Commencing May 4th the Saturday excursion rates to Perham at \$1.45, Brainerd to Perham and return, and Brainerd to Detroit Lake and return at \$1.85. The round trip will take effect for the season. These tickets will be available for No. 3 and No. 5, going on Saturday and returning not later than No. 6 on Monday following. Round trip tickets will be for sale daily, good for 30 days. Brainerd to Perham and return \$3.40, and Brainerd to Detroit and return \$4.45.

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